

COUNTY COUNCIL  
OF  
HARFORD COUNTY, MARYLAND

1973 Legislative Session, Legislative Day No. 73-14

Bill No. 73-15 (As Amended)

Introduced by ~~XX~~ Councilmen John W. Hardwicke, Habern W. Freeman, Arthur H. Helton, Jr.  
and J. Roy Bryson

AN ACT

AN EMERGENCY ACT adding NEW Section 504A to the CODE OF PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF Harford County Code, (1965 Edition and Supplements) entitled "Expenditure Procedure", TO FOLLOW IMMEDIATELY AFTER SECTION 504, requiring that expenditures be certified by the County Treasurer, and providing for a penalty in the event such certification is not obtained.

By the Council May 8, 1973

Introduced, read first time, ordered posted and public hearing scheduled on  
June 12 1973 at 7:00 P.M. in the  
Council Hearing Room, Bel Air, Maryland.

By order, U. Eugene B. Johnston, Secretary

PUBLIC HEARING

Having been posted and Notice of time and place of hearing  
and Title of Bill having been published according to the Charter, a public  
hearing was held on June 12, 1973 and concluded  
on June 12, 1973.

U. Eugene B. Johnston, Secretary

1 Section 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF HARFORD COUNTY,  
2 THAT NEW SECTION 504A BE AND IT IS HEREBY ADDED TO THE CODE OF  
3 PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF HARFORD COUNTY (1965 EDITION AND SUPPLEMENTS)  
4 TO FOLLOW IMMEDIATELY AFTER SECTION 504 AND ALL TO READ AS  
5 FOLLOWS:

6           504A (a) No money shall be drawn from the treasury of  
7 the County, nor shall any obligation for the expenditure of money  
8 by the County be incurred by any officer, agent, department, board  
9 or commission unless the County Treasurer shall first certify  
10 that the County Council has authorized the appropriations for the  
11 designated purpose and that said appropriations are available  
12 and unencumbered.

13 ~~Section 2-~~ (b) The appropriations made for the various  
14 departments, boards, commissions, agencies, and institutions in the  
15 annual budget and appropriation ordinance shall constitute the  
16 legal authority to make expenditures, incur obligations and effect  
17 transfers by the various departments of the government in carry-  
18 ing out their respective work programs upon the written authority  
19 of the duly appointed or elected head of each unit of government  
20 receiving appropriations to the County Treasurer and upon the  
21 authority of the County Executive as prescribed by the Charter  
22 of Harford County.

23 ~~Section 3-~~ (c) Any contract, oral or written except for small  
24 purchases in an amount less than One hundred dollars (\$100.00),  
25 made in violation of this ordinance shall be null and void, and  
26 if any officer, agent, or employee of the County shall knowingly  
27 violate this ordinance, he shall be personally liable and such  
28 action shall be cause after public hearing for his removal from  
29 office.

30 ~~Section 4-~~ SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Act  
31 is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for  
32 the proper operation of County Government and for necessary

1 assurance that funds expended have been properly appropriated and  
2 approved and shall take effect from the date it becomes law.

3 Effective: July 11, 1973

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BY THE COUNCIL

Read the third time.

Passed June 19, 1973 LSD 73-19 (With Amendments)

~~Parried of Passage~~

By order

Morgan B. Johnston, Secretary

Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive for his approval this 20th day of June, 1973 at 11:30 o'clock<sup>A</sup>.M.

Morgan B. Johnston, Secretary



BY THE EXECUTIVE

APPROVED:

Charles B. Anderson, Jr., County Executive

Date

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having received neither the approval nor the disapproval of the Executive within twenty-one (21) days of its presentation, becomes law on July 11, 1973.

Morgan B. Johnston, Secretary